

Detailed information on application procedures can be found on the Graduate Education Office (GEO) website. All applications are submitted to GEO. GEO works with applicants to make sure applications are complete. Once complete, the application is forwarded to MPS for review. These procedures are summarized below. Please note, in addition to the GEO requirements, additional applicant requirements apply for:

- a. Applicants to clinical programs. You must also complete the Graduate Application Addendum for Clinical Psychology Doctoral Program in addition to the main application form. You can access this form on the USU MPS website.
- b. Military applicants or civilians seeking admittance to the military clinical program must also contact the service they are applying to (Army, Air Force, Navy) for specific requirements and procedures.

The additional requirements are described below.

Applications are judged based on student GPA, GRE scores, educational background and experience.

Graduate Education Office (GEO) Application Checklist for Medical and Clinical Psychology (MPS) Programs

Admission Requirements and Recommendations:



GPA

Students admitted to this program typically have an overall undergraduate GPA ranging from 3.4 - 3.8. However, students with a lower GPA may be considered for admission based upon other strengths in their applications.



GRE

GRE scores MUST be from an exam taken within the past TWO YEARS to be accepted. GRE scores (Verbal + Quantitative) of 300 or greater are preferred, and students admitted to this program typically have GRE scores ranging from 310-325. However, students with lower GRE scores may be considered for admission based upon other strengths in their applications. **GRE waivers are not granted.**



Educational background

Undergraduate psychology coursework and experience is preferred, but not required for admission. Many students in the department come from diverse educational backgrounds. All applicants with clearly demonstrated strengths in math, science, and writing will be considered. Coursework in statistics, chemistry, and biology, as well as clinical and/or research experience is encouraged.

Application Packet Checklist:

To be considered for admission, applicants must complete and submit an online application form, submit official test results to USUHS, and mail application packet materials to the Graduate Education Office. The application checklist is detailed below.



Online Application Form

All applicants will need to complete the Graduate Education Office's online application. Application requirements are summarized on the following website: <http://www.usuhs.mil/graded/application.html>.

The online application form is available at: <http://gapp.usuhs.mil>. You must use Internet Explorer (6.0 or higher) to complete the online application.

The application form consists of the following:

1) **ACADEMIC STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:** You will need to write the statement using a word processing program, copy it, and paste it into the online application window. For tips on writing your personal statement, click the link <http://www.usuhs.mil/graded/geofaq.html#persstate>. In your statement of purpose, please identify one or more faculty members with whom you would like to work.

2) **PERSONAL INFORMATION:** Personal data, education information, test scores, etc.

Prior to submitting your application online, be sure to review all sections for completion. Once you have, hit the "submit" button on the website. If there are any issues, please contact GEO at 800-772-1747 for assistance.



Official Test Results

GRE scores MUST be from an exam taken within the past TWO YEARS to be accepted. GRE waivers are not granted.

You need to request that [ETS](#) (Educational Testing Services) send your GRE scores to the USU Graduate Education Office. To request scores, use the USU Institution code, which is 5824. It is not necessary to specify any other departmental code. The School Code for the GRE is 5824 for both the Department and Institution code. We are not able to accept copies or unofficial score reports.

You can access the testing service website at www.gre.org. From the time you request for your scores to be sent from ETS, it takes about a month for them to be received and then processed in the admissions office. Please plan ahead!



Mailed Application Packet

The mailed application packet has three components: 1) a hard copy of the application addendum to the Medical and Clinical Psychology department, 2) official transcripts, academic coursework, and degrees earned, and 3) letters of recommendation. Mail the following application packet materials to the following address:

Uniformed Services University
Graduate Education Office
Building A, Room A1045
4301 Jones Bridge Road
Bethesda, Maryland 20814-4799



Online Application Form



Hard Copy of Application Addendum

You must complete the Graduate Application Addendum for Clinical Psychology Doctoral Program in addition to the main application form. You can access this form at either of the following two links:

- [MS Word format](#)
- [PDF format](#)



Official Transcripts, Academic Coursework and Degrees Earned

You must provide hard copy official transcripts of ALL work beyond secondary school: undergraduate coursework, graduate coursework, study abroad courses, community college courses, and non-degree courses. A transcript is official when:

- Submitted to the Graduate School in an envelope which is issued by the institution and sealed by your university's Registrar's office (or equivalent office);

- Requested from the appropriate institution's Registrar, returned to you, and included unopened in your self-assembled application packet for mailing.



Letters of Recommendations

Three (3) official letters of recommendation (LOR) are required by the USU Graduate Education Office. All official letters of recommendation must:

- Be printed on letterhead
- Contain an original signature
- Be placed in a sealed envelope with the recommender's signature across the flap
- Be mailed into the Graduate Education Office (no electronic submissions will be accepted)

Persons writing these LORs must be in positions that permit the appraisal of the applicant's potential for graduate study. LORs can be written by both military and civilian personnel.



Contact Graduate Education Office to Check Receipt of Your Materials

Contact the USU Graduate Education Office via phone at 800-772-1747 or via e-mail at graduateprogram@usuhs.mil to confirm your application packet is complete. Please allow up to two (2) weeks for processing of your materials.

If you have questions about the application process, please contact the Graduate Education Office or visit the FAQ website: <http://www.usuhs.mil/graded/geofaq.html>